Recycling and Waste Reduction

Measure 48 – Government Non-Traditional Recycling Program

5 Points

Cobb County has an established recycling program for all toner and ink cartridges. In October 2008, Cobb County contracted a local electronics broker to recycle all of the county's surpluses of electronics, including cell phones and batteries.

Discussion:

Cobb County Government has recently contracted with Atlanta Recycling Solutions (ARS) to pick up all surpluses of electronics, (includes cell phones and rechargeable batteries) to be recycled at their facility. The Cobb County Purchasing department offers pick up service of electronics to all departments.

The county's current vendor for office supplies, Office Depot has teamed up with the Cobb County Purchasing Department to establish a county-wide program to **collect and recycle used inkjet and laser toner cartridges**.

Recycling boxes and containers for paper products, cell phones, rechargeable batteries, and ink cartridges can be found in common areas (work areas, copier/printer stations, reception areas) at Cobb Government offices.

Documentation:

- Atlanta Recycling Solutions Contract attached. amended to include list of accepted items.
- News and Events press release to all County Employees attached.
 http://160.73.200.72:8088/news/news_alerts_10.10.07.htm
- Solid Waste Web page to all residents http://solidwaste.cobbcountyga.gov/recycle.htm
- Attached photos of cell phone/rechargeable battery drop off container, ink cartridge drop-off boxes, paper recycling